

## THE MAN IS SENTENCED.

His Term Fixed at Five Years and Six Months in State Prison.

## TO GO TO SING SING TUESDAY

The Convicted Financier Hears His Fate Calmly and Without Emotion.

## TWO SONS PRESENT IN COURT.

Good Behavior Will Reduce His Actual Sentence to 3 Years, 11 Months, 15 Days.

Erasmus Wiman, the quondam well-known philanthropist and millionaire, was this morning sentenced to five years and six months in State prison, by Justice Ingraham, in the Court of Oyer and Terminer.

Mr. Wiman, in charge of Deputy Sheriff Brown, entered the Court-House at 9 o'clock. When they reached the head of the stairs leading to the courtroom, they were met by William Dwight Wiman and Harry Wiman, the prisoner's eldest and youngest sons. Both shook hands with their father, and inquired as to his health.

Mr. Wiman smiled and answered their inquiries briefly. He then inquired as to Mr. Wiman.

The party at once entered the courtroom. Mr. Wiman took a seat in about the same place as the one he occupied during the trial, and his sons seated themselves one on each side of him.

As soon as the court officer had called the court to order, Gen. Tracy arose and moved for a writ of habeas corpus. His motion was based on three grounds: First, that the Court had mischarged the jury; second, that the verdict was contrary to law; and third, that the verdict was contrary to the evidence.

The motion was denied, and Gen. Tracy then argued for a light sentence. He called attention to the verdict of the jury, recommending the prisoner to the mercy of the Court, and also to the fact that the Wiman family had made complete restitution of the money, by turning over not only his own property, but that of his wife, to the firm of J. G. Dun & Co.

Lastly, Gen. Tracy asked that Justice Ingraham consider Mr. Wiman's former good character, and also his family. Justice Ingraham then addressed the prisoner:

"The duty I have to perform is extremely painful, and one I would gladly be rid of. The law does not punish for vengeance. It is not for the sake of the State or his associates, but the very existence of society requires that certain acts shall not be committed."

"In this case there is not presented a single act of misdoing under some great temptation, but a man who has constantly appropriated the funds of your fellow citizens, and after that committed a crime."

"Mr. Dunn so trusted you that he did not examine your letters produced here, and you knew you had no right to take the money you did."

"On the other hand, the jury have strongly recommended mercy, and I am always glad to have the assistance of the jury in cases of this sort."

"I am also asked to consider your age, your former good character, and your family. I have taken all these things into consideration."

"The sentence of the Court is that you be imprisoned for five years and six months in State prison."

At the conclusion of the sentence Mr. Wiman did not move a muscle and remained standing.

His son Harry reached out and taking his father by the hand gently pulled him into a seat beside him. His other son placed his other hand upon his father's arm for a moment or two, and then son gazed into each other's faces, as if a second it seemed as if both could break down, and a suspicious moisture appeared in their eyes.

Then Mr. Wiman leaned over and whispered to his son. The semblance of a smile passed over their faces, and both leaned back in their chairs, apparently contented.

In the mean time Gen. Tracy and Mr. Boardman had been busy with pencil and paper, and Gen. Tracy asked Justice Ingraham what would be Mr. Wiman's actual imprisonment under the sentence when the sentence was for good behavior had been made.

Justice Ingraham replied: "Three years, eleven months and fifteen days."

Gen. Tracy then moved for a certificate of reasonable doubt and a stay of execution. Justice Ingraham replied that there was nothing before him on which he could grant such a motion.

He said, however, that he would request the Sheriff to take the prisoner over to Sing Sing until next Tuesday, to allow his counsel to make a motion for the certificate of reasonable doubt before himself or some other Justice.

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A petition, signed by about one hundred and fifty or two hundred residents of Staten Island, neighbors of Mr. Wiman, was presented to Justice Ingraham before the opening of the court, asking that the sentence be made as light as possible.

MAN OF MANY JUDGMENTS.

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## MISS RUSSELL.

Result of a Surgical Operation Performed Last Monday.

The Fair Singer Is Said to Be in a Very Critical Condition.

Her Husband, Perugini, Sailed for Europe on the New York To-Day.

Lillian Russell lies seriously ill at her home, 315 West Seventy-seventh street, as the result of a surgical operation performed last Monday afternoon.

The operation in itself was successful, but the consequent shock and weakness have prostrated the fair singer. She is in absolute seclusion and sees none but her sister, Miss Hattie Leonard, her little daughter, her physician, Dr. J. W. McKernan, and a trained nurse.

Other friends and relatives are absolutely excluded and all correspondence and newspapers are kept from her, and it will be two weeks before she will be permitted to come into the slightest touch with her own business affairs and the events of the world.

It had been the intention of the family to keep the operation and illness a secret, but Miss Russell herself the indirect cause of the revelation. She was suffering intensely and yesterday begged to see her little girl, Miss Leonard, her sister, went to the convent where the child is at school, to bring her home.

She then met Henry E. Dixey and Chauncey O'Connell, who were visiting their children. They immediately asked why Miss Russell had not called for her child, and Miss Leonard said that the mother was sick and made some mention of the operation.

Report got on the street last night, and this morning a newspaper published a statement that Miss Russell would shortly go to a hospital to submit to a critical operation.

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## TO PROVE HER CRAZY.

Mrs. Halliday's Lawyers Call Experts and Jailers.

Queer Antics of the Murderess Decried by the Jury.

Her Two Attempts to Commit Suicide in Her Cell.

(Special to The Evening World.) MONTICELLO, N. Y., June 20.—The bell in the cupola of the little Sullivan County Court-House, in the beautiful shady village, proclaimed at 9 o'clock this morning that the third day's proceedings in the trial of Murderess Lizzie Halliday, of Burlington, were about to begin.

The lay testimony was about all in when Court adjourned last night, the defense making no effort to combat the circumstantial evidence that old Paul Halliday, Mrs. Margaret McQuillan and pretty Sarah Jane McQuillan had died at the hands of this sorrow-faced, disfigured woman.

It had been shown that each of the three had been shot through the heart a half dozen times or more, as if they had been approached while asleep by the assassin and shot in the back of the head with a self-loading, rapid-fire pistol close up to the bosom of her victims.

It had been shown that the bodies were found hardly hidden from view under the stable refuse near the barn, and that the woman had been in the kitchen floor.

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